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BERLIN PASS CONGRESSMEN LONG AND KOCH

E.O. 11652:N/A

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SUBJECT: VISIT TO SOVIET EMIGREE TRANSIT CENTER

REF: VIENNA 4432

1. EMBASSY'S THOUGHTFUL ANALYSIS OF SECURITY PROBLEMS
POSED FOR AUSTRIAN GOVT AND SOVIET REFUGEES THEMSELVES BY
VISITS OF US DIGNITARIES TO TRANSIT FACILITY IS MUCH
APPRECIATED. WE AGREE THAT ONLY THOSE WHO HAVE NEED OF
FIRST HAND KNOWLEDGE OF OPERATION SHOULD VISIT TRANSIT
CENTER, THAT NO REPEAT NO PICTURES SHOULD BE TAKEN AND
THAT PUBLICITY SHOULD BE COMPLETELY AVOIDED.

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2. CONGRESSMEN LONG AND KOCH ARE MEMBERS OF THE APPROPRI-

ATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON FOREIGN OPERATIONS (THE PASSMAN SUB-COMMITTEE), WHICH HAS RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE SOVIET REFUGEE PROGRAM. THEY THEREFORE HAVE A NEED TO VISIT THE FACILITY. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO ARRANGE THIS FOR MORNING OF MAY 30. JAI CONCURS, EMPHASIZING SAME CAVEATS AS IN REFTEL. INGERSOLL

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